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“National Library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka: A Compararitive Study”

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Introduction:-

Describing a library which has been maintained out of government funds and serving the nation as a whole. Generally, books in such libraries are for reference only. They are usually copyright libraries. The function of such library is to collect & preserve for posterity the books, periodicals & newspapers published in the country. This is best done by a law requiring publisher to deposit copies of all publications issued by them, & by purchasing books published in the other countries. The functions of national libraries vary considerably. They may compile union catalogues, produce a national bibliography, publish a retrospective national bibliography, act as a national bibliographical centre, and participate in library lending programmes1.

Present study will play a vital role in the building of foreign relations between the neighbouring countries. Present study reveals various aspects of national library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka.

Statement of research problem:-

Present study deals with five national libraries i.e. 'Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka'. Statement of research problem is entitled as "National Library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka: A Comparative Study".

Reason for selection of topic:-

National library collects & preserve Copyright Act related all reading material published in the country. It also collects all necessary documents published in foreign countries which are related to our country. As far as the types of library are concerned national library is the biggest library compared to any other libraries. Due to such important factors of national library, the researcher is interested to choose the topic which is related to national library.

Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka are neighbouring countries. Its culture & language is nearly same. Hence the researcher has selected the topic for

the present study i.e. "National library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka: A Comparative Study".

Objectives of study:-

1) To introduce growth & development of national libraries of world.
2) To know the various services offered by national library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka.
3) To know the products/publications of national library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka.
4) To find out yearly budget & expenditure of national library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka.
5) To know the library automation & digitization status of national library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka.
6) To know manpower working in national library of Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka.
7) To suggest model plan for further development of these libraries.

Hypothesis of study:-

Researcher frames following hypothesis for present study.

1) The collection of five national libraries is greatly occupied by regional language compared to English language.
2) All five national libraries have made independent reading sections for physically disabled persons.
3) All national libraries have digitized their library collection.
4) All five national libraries spend their maximum budget on the Books.
5) All national libraries are well equipped.

Scope & limitation of study:-

The present study covers aspects of library such as infrastructure, staff, budget, services & products etc. The study is based on the records available in all five national libraries up to 30th April 2018. The study is limited to national libraries of

Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Sri Lanka only. Therefore, other libraries in those countries have not been considered for present research.

Research Design:-

Sr. No.	Name of Chapter
01	Introduction
02	Research Methodology
03	Review of Literature
04	Data Analysis & Interpretation
05	Conclusion & Suggestion
	-Bibliography
	-Appendix

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